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REDUCE BARRIERS

Structural barriers are non-economic burdens or obstacles that make it difficult for people to access cancer screening. Interventions designed to reduce these barriers may facilitate access to cancer screening services by:

- Reducing time or distance between service delivery settings and target populations
- Modifying hours of service to meet client needs
- Offering services in alternative or non-clinical settings (e.g., mobile mammography vans at worksites or in residential communities)
- Eliminating or simplifying administrative procedures and other obstacles (e.g., scheduling assistance, patient navigators, transportation, dependent care, translation services, limiting the number of clinic visits)

Such interventions often include one or more secondary supporting measures, such as:

- Printed or telephone reminders
- Education about cancer screening
- Information about screening availability (e.g., group education, pamphlets, or brochures)
- Measures to reduce out-of-pocket costs to the client (though interventions principally designed to reduce client costs are considered to be a separate class of approaches)



REDUCE OUT-OF-POCKET COSTS

Interventions to reduce client out-of-pocket costs attempt to minimize or remove economic barriers that make it difficult for clients to access cancer screening services. Costs can be reduced through a variety of approaches, including vouchers, reimbursements, reduction in co-pays, or adjustments in federal or state insurance coverage. Efforts to reduce client costs may be combined with measures to provide client education, information about program availability, or measures to reduce structural barriers.